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May 14, 2007

Gene K. Fong Division Administrator Federal Highway Administration 650 Capitol Mall, Suite 4-100 Sacramento, CA 95814

Attention: Sue Kiser

Leslie T. Rogers Regional Administrator Federal Transit Administration 201 Mission Street, Suite 1650 San Francisco, CA 94105

Attention: Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter, I am transmitting the following amendment to California's 2006/07 – 2008/09 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) for your approval. This amendment modifies projects in the rural, non-Metropolitan Planning Organization portion of the state:

No. <u>Description</u>

State, and Local Elements

- Modifies funding for the State Highway Operation and Protection Program grouped project listings for the following categories: Bridge Preservation, Collision Reduction, Roadside Preservation, Roadway Preservation, Mandates, and Emergency Repair by updating project listings and costs.
- Programs a total of \$32,000 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2006/07 for implementation of the Ebbetts Pass Corridor Management Plan as part of the National Scenic Byways Program.
- Modifies funding for the Sierra Valley Visitor Center by moving construction costs from FY 2005/06 to FY 2006/07, and decreasing the scope to the Calpine location only. There is no change to the total project cost.
- Modifies funding for the Lake Siskiyou Trail project by programming \$735,000 of Transportation Enhancement (TE) funds, \$82,000 of state cash, and \$329,000 of state parks funds in FY 2006/07.
- Modifies funding for the Loganville Scenic Byway Visitor Center by moving \$100,000 of TE funds from prior year to FY 2006/07.
- Programs \$742,500 of high priority project funds, \$6,796,000 of local transportation funds, and \$4,165,000 of coastal conservancy funds for Phase I of the Fort Bragg Coastal Trail project.
- Programs \$352,000 of TE funds and \$46,000 of state cash in FY 2006/07 for the Eastern Sierra Scenic Byway Tourist Center project.

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> Modifies funding for the Angels Camp bypass project by programming \$4,438,000 of Corridor Mobility Improvement Account funds in FY 2006/07.

Transit (Federal Transit Administration Section 5317 New Freedom Grant)

 Programs \$115,000 of Federal Transit Administration Section 5317 New Freedom Grant funds and \$29,000 of local transportation funds in FY 2006/07 for the Lake County Transit Authority.

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration approve this Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment No. 9 for inclusion into California's 2006/07 – 2008/09 FSTIP.

The updated programming is for projects that are either proposed for implementation in areas of the state that are designated as attainment, or unclassified for federal air quality standards, or are associated with projects of the types listed in 40 Code of Federal Regulations Section 93.126, Table 2, or Table 3. Therefore, these projects are not subject to the requirement that a conformity determination be made, or are exempt from the regional emissions analysis and conformity requirements. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. An updated financial summary table is provided for this amendment.

Projects included in this FTIP, in fiscal years beyond the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP, are not approved as part of this FTIP amendment and are for information only. These projects are included and submitted by the California Department of Transportation through the California Transportation Improvement Program System.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Penny Gray, of my staff, at (916) 654-3521.

Sincerely,

RACHEL FALSETTI

Acting Chief

Division of Transportation Programming

Enclosures

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